

Nevada County

Change To Project Documentation Plan – Staff Report

Summary

Nevada County	Original Amounts	New Amounts
Staff Recommended Funding Award Amount	\$866,431.28	\$743,603.41
VMB Initial Formula Allocation Amount	\$866,431.28	\$866,431.28
Required County 3:1 Matching Fund Amount	\$288,810.43	\$247,867.81
Estimated Total System Cost	\$1,314,818.17	\$1,382,705.30
Remaining Initial Formula Allocation		
Remaining Allocation Amount	\$0	\$122,827.88
Remaining County 3:1 Matching Amount	\$0	\$40,942.63

Vendor: Hart InterCivic
Premier Election Solutions

Hardware/Software: Hart InterCivic InFusion Software & Tally Software License
Premier VoteRemote Vote-by-Mail Processing Equipment

Staff Report:

At the November 19, 2007, meeting of the Voting Modernization Board, the Board approved Nevada County's Project Documentation Plan and awarded \$866,431.28 in funding for the reimbursement of the county's purchase of Hart InterCivic voting system. Nevada County has submitted invoices and received \$703,015.91 in funding for this system.

At the time that Nevada County's plan was approved the software utility named "InFusion" was not approved for use by Secretary of State. In December 2007, the Secretary of State authorized the use of the "InFusion" data translation program as part of the Hart InterCivic voting system. Nevada County is requesting funding for this software utility. Nevada County is also requesting funding for the purchase of an additional software license of "Tally" to accommodate the need for the eastern part of their county. Additionally, in an effort to assist with the growing number of vote-by-mail voters in their county, Nevada County has purchased the "VoteRemote" signature verification unit to help with the verification of voter's signatures on vote-by-mail ballots. This new equipment will augment their existing vote-by-mail optical scan system.

Nevada County is requesting the Voting Modernization Board approve the change to their existing Project Documentation Plan to include funding for the additional voting system software and vote-by-mail signature verification equipment.

Please note that the staff-proposed funding award is based upon allowable reimbursement under Proposition 41 for voting equipment hardware and software only. The training/support line item listed in the Premier acquisition paperwork and the envelope printer listed in the Nevada County's change to their approved plan would not be covered as a reimbursable claim under Proposition 41.

Staff Recommendation:

It is our recommendation that Nevada County's change to their approved Project Documentation Plan be approved and a new Funding Award Letter be issued in the amount of \$743,603.41.

Nevada County VMB Formula Allocation	Amounts
Remaining VMB Approved Allocation Amount	\$ 163,415.38
Remaining County 3:1 Matching Amount	\$ 54,471.80

Allocation Under Prop 41 Excluding Non-Allowable Expense

Non-Allowable Expenses

Envelope Printer	\$ 11,170.46
One Day Training and Onsite Support	\$ 2,600.00
Total Non-Allowable Expenses	\$ 13,770.46

Estimated Total System Cost	\$ 67,887.13
Total Non-Allowable Expenses	\$ 13,770.46
Total Allowable Expenses	\$ 54,116.67

Recommended Funding Award (75% of Allowable Expenses)	\$ 40,587.50
Match (25% of Allowable Expense Match Amount)	\$ 13,529.17
Total Allowable Expenses	\$ 54,116.67

Remaining VMB Approved Allocation Amount	\$ 122,827.87
Remaining 3:1 County Required Matching Amount	\$ 40,942.63